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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:	Don A. DYKES et al.	§	Confirmation No.:	8527
Serial No.:	09/751,187	§	Group Art Unit:	2116
Filed:	12/29/2000	§	Examiner:	E. Chang
For:	Secondary Boot Block	§	Docket No.:	200301824-1

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Date: June 30, 2004

Sir:

In response to the final Office action of April 7, 2004, please enter this Preliminary Amendment and corresponding Request for Continued Examination and amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.